Production of Vegetable oil

752. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the total production of vegetable oil in the country during the last three years;

(b) the quantum of imported edible oil during the same period; and

(c) the comparative consumers prices of Vanaspati oils during the years 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 and of the imported oil during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The total production of vegetable oil in the country during the last three years and the quantum of imported oils used therefor is as under:—

(In lakh tonnes)

Oil-Year	Production	Imported oil used
1983-84	8.82	6.88
1984-85	9.16	6.25
1985-86	9.17	4.98

(c) The average consumers prices of vegetable oils during the year 1983-84 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 and the prices of imported oil during the same period are as under:—

The average consumers prices of vanaspati including sales tax

(in Rs.)

Period (Oil-year)	16·5 kg. tin	15 kg. tin
November, 1983 to May, 1984	231·42	
January, 1984 to October, 1984		243·06
1984-85		252·15
1985-86		282·00
1986 87 (till 20th April 1987)		335·83

Prices of imported oil

(Rs. per tonne)

Period	Regular	Commercial
1983 to 23rd May, 1984	8,500	12,000
24th May, 1984 to 14th Nov. 1985	9,500	13,000
15th Nov. 1985 to till date	11,500	13,000